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T. William Hutchens, et al.

Application No.: 10/700,297

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DESORPTION AND IONIZATION OF
ANALYTES

Examiner: Lyle Alexander

Art Unit: 1743

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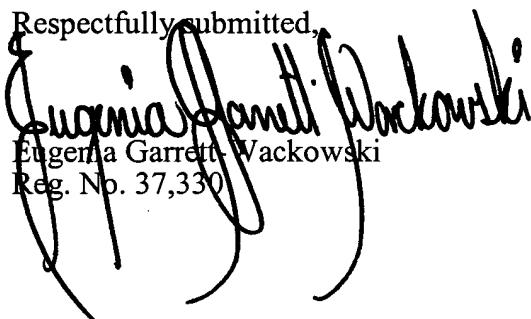
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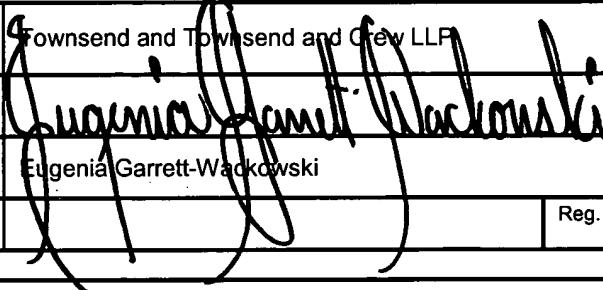
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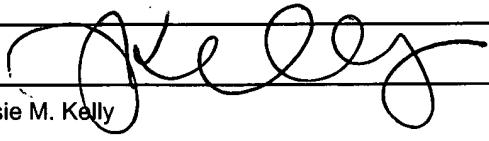
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